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ABSTRACT

A method for accessing product information data includes storing product data including graphics data and textual data related to a plurality of products in a memory of a main computer, storing a first subset of product data including graphics data related to at least one product in a memory of the remote computer, and transmitting a data request query related to a selected product from the remote computer to the main computer. The method also includes identifying a second subset of product data related to the selected product stored in the memory of the main computer based on the data request query; transmitting textual data from second subset of product data from the main computer to the remote computer, transmitting only updated graphics data from the main computer to the remote computer, storing the updated graphics data in the memory of the remote computer, and combining the textual data received from the main computer with graphics data stored in the memory of the remote computer to provide complete product information data related to the selected product.

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CUSTOMER'S COMPUTER MEMORY

